

SUNDAY 28th JUNE 2026

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY Time

Pastoral Community of Downpatrick

Parish of Dunsford & Ardglass

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Weekly Collection: We acknowledge with grateful thanks last week's Offertory Promise Collection which came to £529.50 Loose plate £588.00, Popes Collection £262.50 Loose plate £230.00, Direct Debits £110.00.

All peoples, clasp your hands. Cry to God with shouts of joy!

MASSES :

ARDGLASS: 5.00pm Vigil Saturday
11.30am Sunday.
10.00am Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday

DUNSFORD: 10.00am Sunday.
10.00am Thursday Novena Mass.

CONFESSIONS: 4.30 - 4.55pm Saturday, Ardglass (or upon request)

ADORATION: ARDGLASS TUESDAY 11am to 11pm,
DUNSFORD THURSDAY 11am to 11pm.

ANNIVERSARIES: Jennifer Kearns, Eamon McKendry, Roche McGreevy, Nell Hanna, Danny Flynn, Alphonsus Curran, Henry Casey, May Bell, Bernard Norris, Sean Loughlin, Paddy Wilkinson, George Cahir, Tom Maloney, Catherine Beattie, Winifred Thirkettle, Maureen Teggart, Josephine Sharvin, Margaret Mullan, Gerard Markey, Louise Ann Murphy, Richard John McKeown.

ANNIVERSARY MASS BOOKINGS: The best way to make these is in person in either Sacristy after any of the Masses. Please do not phone the parish to make bookings as we are not in a position to deal with them by phone. If you send a letter, please be patient and please include your phone number.

If you want it done and dusted quickly go to the sacristy after Mass.

ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE: WEDNESDAY 8th JULY, FOR BOOKING PHONE MARY 07895098189.

DEACON THOMAS HAMPTON

Please pray for Deacon Thomas Hampton, for his upcoming Ordination to the Priesthood. All welcome to the Ordination and First Mass of Thanksgiving. The Ordination will take place on **Sunday 28th June at 3.00 pm**, in St. Patrick's Church, St. Patrick's Avenue, Downpatrick. With light refreshments afterwards in the Patrician Youth Centre, John Street, Downpatrick. The First Mass of Thanksgiving will take place on the solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, **Monday 29th June at 7.00 pm**, in **St. Patrick's Church, St. Patrick's Road, Saul**. With light refreshments afterwards in St. Patrick's Primary School, Saul.

OFFERTORY PROMISE ENVELOPES, for those who use them regularly, are available in the corridor beside the sacristy in Ardglass. If you haven't been getting them up to now and would like to start using them, please let us know.

SAINT PATRICKS WAY: Walk in the footsteps of our Patron Saint on Saint Patrick's Way Pilgrim Walk in Downpatrick with guides Martina Purdy and Elaine Kelly on **8 August**, and Mairead Sweeney on **Sat 4 July**, begin at Saint Patricks Centre with the fabulous 180° IMAX film of St Patrick, price includes entrance fees, internal bus transfers, pilgrimage lunch at the famous Saul Barn, plus a stamped Camino passport and a 6 mile pilgrimage walk finishing at Saint Patrick's grave. Come and Be Amazed! (**Duration 9am-approx 3pm, all for just £55**) To book ring **02844 619000** or go to website www.saintpatrickcentre.com

DOWN & CONNOR DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2026 ASSOCIATE PILGRIMS: Those who are unable to travel to Lourdes are invited to join us in prayer during the days of our pilgrimage. We remember all our associate pilgrims in prayer each day of the pilgrimage and leave the names of all those enrolled at the feet of Our Lady at the Grotto of Massabielle. If you are able to make a donation to the pilgrimage it would be greatly appreciated. Lists and prayer cards are available in the porch and completed lists and donations may be left in the grey boxes in each chapel.

Alternatively, you can join via the link:

<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/wUgkxBLytZ>

DAILY PRAYER FOR ASSOCIATE PILGRIMS:

Immaculate Mary,
when you showed yourself to Bernadette,
you brought the warmth, light and beauty of your presence.
Guide us to your son, Jesus Christ, the source of true life.
Make us pilgrims, journeying with your Church,
nourished by the prayer of life.
Together with Bernadette, we pray to you, O Mary,
may we begin to know the joy of the Kingdom of Heaven.
Glory to you, Virgin Mary, blessed servant of the Lord, mother of God, dwelling place of the Holy Spirit! Amen.